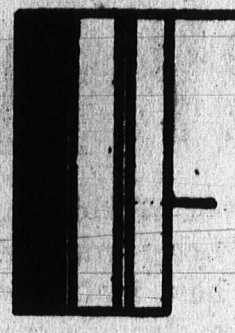
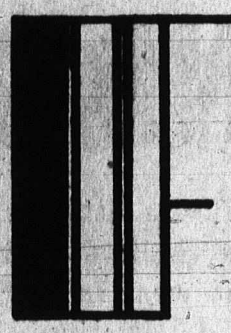
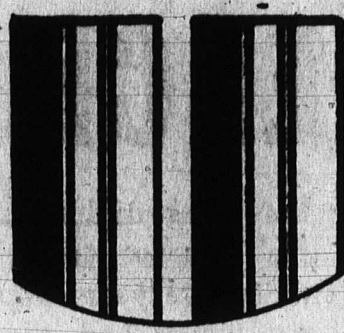
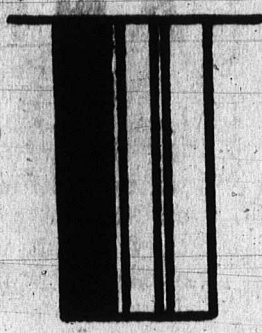
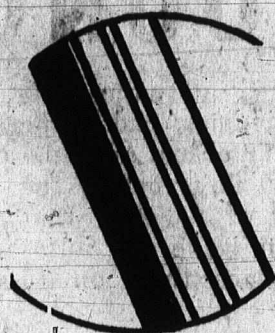


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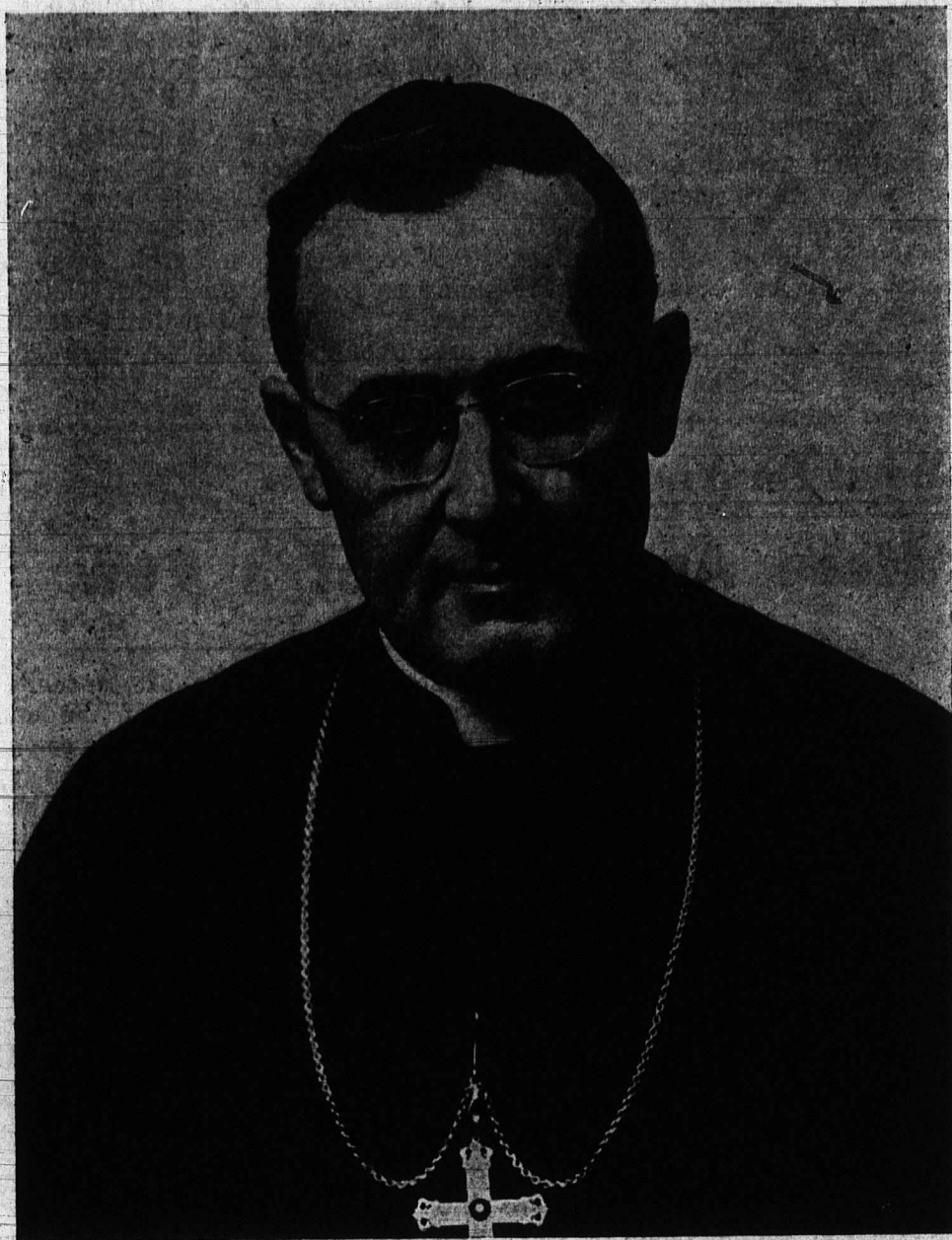
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THE MOST REV. JOHN G. BENNETT, BISHOP OF LAFAYETTE.

Bishop Speaks On Next War In AF Series

The Most Rev. John G. Bennett, bishop of the Lafayette diocese, will address St. Joe students tonight in the Collegeville auditorium. Bishop Bennett will speak on the all-important topic, "When Will World War III Begin?"

Following Bishop Bennett on the "American Freedom in Action" series will be Ernest H. Reed of the International Harvester Company. Mr. Reed will appear sometime early in May.

The "American Freedom in Action" series is brought to St. Joseph's in order to establish interest in all fields of endeavor through the efforts of well-known American leaders. These talks are meant "to foster faith in our nation, its institutions, its opportunities, and in the God Who has made all of them ours."

Father Baechle Set For Spring; Prepares to Photograph Birds

Upon entering the Zoology laboratory the other morning, this reporter found Father John Baechle, the campus ornithologist, repairing and setting up his wire bird cages. Surely spring has finally come, for once again Father Baechle is preparing for the annual migration of birds.

While Father Baechle was tinkering with a mouse trap which he will use to trip shut a cage door on an unwary bird, he stated that he has been showing his collection of birds and their nests, which he has captured through photography, with the aid of bird cages, mouse traps, and chopped corn. These few hundred pictures, some in full color and others in black and white, Father Baechle is always glad to show, and within the past two weeks he has shown them at the Northwestern Indiana Veterinarians Association at Brook, Ind., at the Chicagoland

With only nine weeks of polling remaining, the Fibber McGee and Molly program continues to pace the Radio Acceptance Poll. Tabulations for the twenty-first week of balloting reveal the Johnson Wax pair far in front with a rating of 86.0. Jack Benny with 79.5 holds the runner-up spot. The Henry Morgan, Red Skelton, and Fitch Bandwagon shows round out the first five. For the second consecutive week funnymen Abbott and Costello held down the cellar position with a 28.5 mark.

Leading individual performers for the twenty-first week was the Old Timer of the McGee program, who scored 90.5. Mr. Williams, another of Fibber and Molly's cohorts and Henry Morgan's Girard tied for second position with 90.0. Lou Costello was a distinct last with a 10.5 rating.

Bird Banding Conference at the Chicago Academy of Sciences, to the Precious Blood Seminar at Carthage, Ohio, and at Remington High School, Remington, Ind. This evening he will be in South Bend, Ind., to show his slides at St. Mary's college.

While showing these slides, Father Baechle explains them, and tells the interesting experiences photographing and banding birds. For one thing, he can tell about the hawk, which couldn't wait to be banded, but flew right through a window in the Zoology lab. No waiting around in a bird trap for him. He was a tough bird to handle, but with a little assistance Father Baechle succeeded in banding him. So another season is coming and Father Baechle is ready for a record rush of birds which would like their pictures taken.

Russ Conversion Is Haffert Aim; Urges Sacrifice

Seldom has Collegeville heard a more inspiring address than the one given last Friday evening in the college theatre by Mr. John M. Haffert, editor of The Scapular and author of "The Peacemaker," the story of Fatima in Portugal, and "Mary in Her Scapular Promises," a work characterized by the critics as masterly. Mr. Haffert's address was titled, "Russia Will Be Converted," and was based on information he gathered on trips to Europe of 1946 and 1947, during which he talked with communist leaders in France and Italy, and visited Mary's famous shrines at Lourdes, La Salette, and Fatima. In Spain he talked personally with Sister Lucia, the only living witness of the apparitions at Fatima in Portugal in 1917. Mr. Haffert described in moving language the miraculous events at Fatima, the first of which occurred on May 13, 1917, when the Blessed Virgin appeared to three small Portuguese children; these heavenly

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NBC BROADCAST

The National Broadcasting Company will broadcast the conferring of honorary degrees on Fibber McGee and Molly by the College on April 15. N.B.C.'s special events broadcast will carry the presentation ceremonies from the stage of the College Theatre, from 10:30 to 10:45 P.M. C.S.T.

St. Joseph's Confers Degrees On Fibber and Molly April 15

Plans for Presentation Progressing; Wholesome Comedy Typical of Couple

Campus Actors Will Present Comedy in May

The Columbian Players, St. Joseph's drama society, will present Edward Peple's A Pair of Sixes, on the nights of May 9, and either May 10 or 11, in the college auditorium, it was announced recently by the Rev. Lawrence Heiman, moderator.

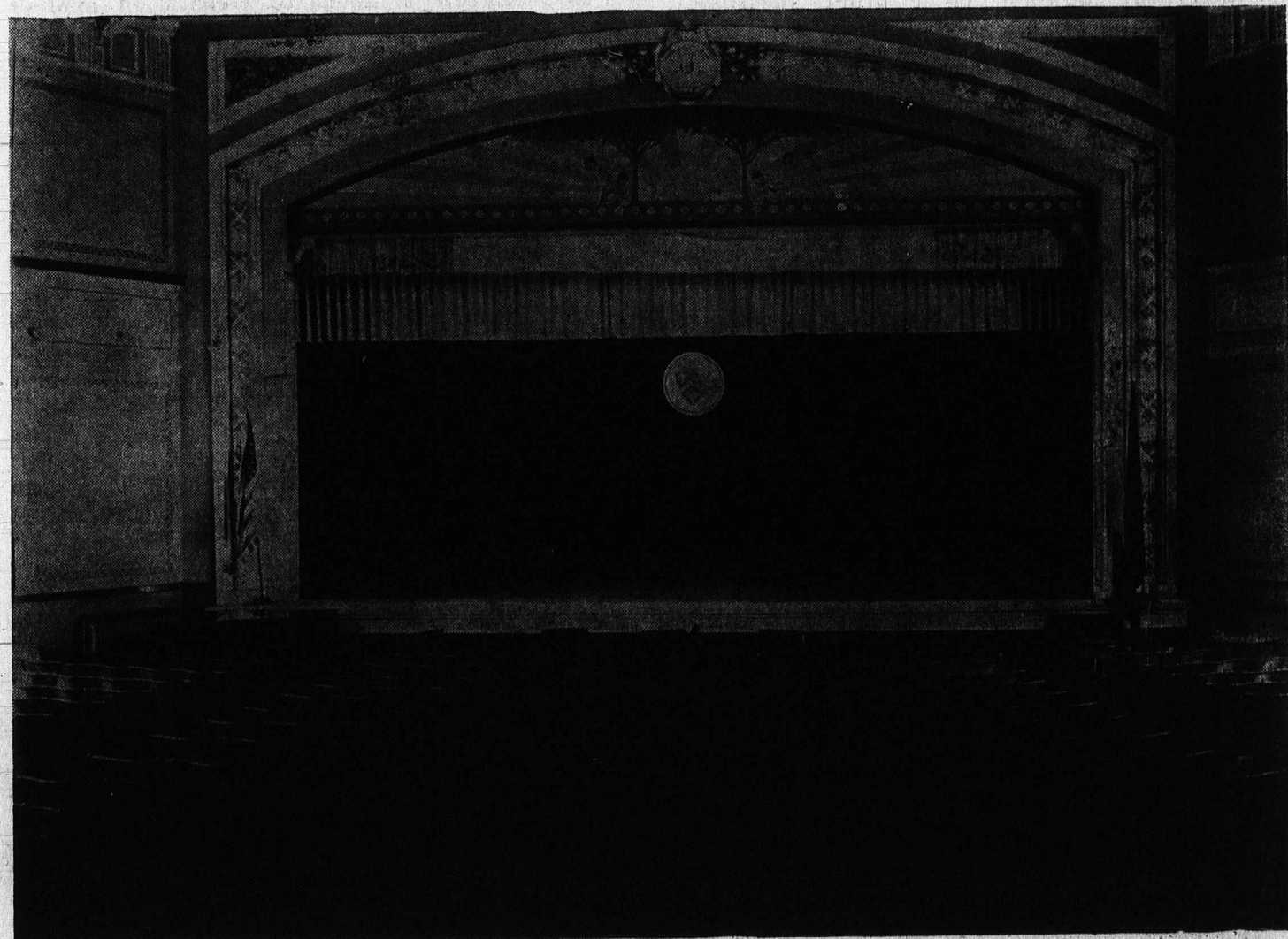
Although no parts are as yet definitely cast, three veterans of the St. Joe stage, Charles Riche, Clarence Burwell, and Fred Frisk, will carry leading roles. Miss Mary O'Neill of Goodland, Ind., will play one of the feminine parts.

The play, which ran for a year in New York, concerns business partners, George B. Nettleton and T. Boggs Johns, who cannot get along amicably. The furor around the office causes business to drop. As a solution to the problem the gentlemen's lawyer suggests they play a game of poker, the loser to become the servant of the other. Nettleton wins with a pair of sixes. It is stipulated that if either of the parties involved discloses the details of the agreement, he forfeits \$5,000. When Johns cannot explain his predicament to his sweetheart, hilarious humor ensues and Johns decides that something must be done. His manner of turning the tables will make for one of the finest comedies seen on the college stage in recent years.

Plans for the presentation of honorary degrees to Jim and Marian Jordan are rapidly progressing, but as yet a definite procedure for the ceremonies has not been set. The Jordans, who for 15 years have been known as Fibber McGee and Molly, will receive the doctor of laws degree from St. Joseph's on April 15. The McGee program has been the top comedy attraction over the National Broadcasting Company since that day in 1932 when the Johnson Wax Company signed the popular Mr. and Mrs. for radio.

A decent brand of comedy has been typical of Jim and Marian. They do not rely upon the low, smutty type of joke, but they appeal to their audience with clean, wholesome comedy. Radio listeners of the nation have been appreciative of this, as is indicated by the largest listening audience of any air-wave performers.

Married over 30 years ago, this Catholic couple also possesses an appeal for the college students of the country. Ever since the Radio Acceptance Poll was begun by an ambitious group of students, the McGee half hour has monopolized the top spot. In 22 of 23 weeks of balloting the McGees have held first place, dropping to second for only one week. The youth of America is hard to please, but Fibber and Molly have done a fine job in wholesome entertainment.



Shown above is St. Joseph's auditorium, the stage of which will be the scene of the conferring of honorary doctor of laws degrees upon Fibber McGee and Molly, April 15. The ceremonies will be broadcast to the nation over the National Broadcasting Company at 10:30 P.M.

VICTORY AND PEACE

The peace treaty which followed World War I was attended by the great diplomats and political minds of that day. The world was led to believe that it was a peace treaty that would end all future wars. But how ineffective it was! Less than twenty-five years later the same countries were embroiled in a struggle more devastating than any which had preceded it. And now after much suffering and spilling of blood, World War II has ended, and other great diplomats and other political minds talk of an enduring peace. But can a peace dependent upon human beings for its source long endure? We know it cannot, and we know we must look for someone above man as the source of lasting peace. We have such a One in the person of Christ Whom we call the "Prince of Peace."

The peace of Christ is not a surface peace like that established at Versailles in 1919, like the peace talked about at Lake Success today—but a deep and enduring peace which penetrates the depths of the soul. It does not make men stagnant, but rather it is a driving force by which they concentrate their faculties upon the attainment of their ultimate end. This identifies men with their neighbor, for they realize that all are striving for a common end—union with God. Men then look upon their neighbor not as a rival, but as a brother striving for the same reward which can be shared without loss to themselves. Consequently, men should unite their efforts against those who would hinder either their neighbor or themselves from obtaining this goal. The peace of Christ is true peace; it unites men with their neighbor, and with their God. The world has no such basis for peace. It can only encourage men to snatch at things, and to try desperately to protect what other men will most certainly try to take from them.

World War II has been won. The price of victory was high. We fought not for victory alone or for the crushing defeat of our enemies. We fought for victory with a just and abiding peace. In a war-time letter the late President Roosevelt wrote that the United States was fighting for "the right of men to live together as members of one family" and to make certain that the spirit of brotherhood "may be practiced here and by free men everywhere." We fought for that, and our united armed might brought us the victory. But what will bring us lasting peace?

Christ and the spirit of Christ alone can bring us the peace for which the world longs. The realization of it depends largely on the United States. It is then our individual American duty to see that so much blood and sacrifice shall not have been spent in vain. We as individuals must foster a return to God and observance of His laws, for therein is the peace all desire. Such a goal will not be attained by material sacrifice and labor. Each of us must set himself at peace with God, and pray that all men may awaken to the fact that men war against each other because they war against God.

Our prayer for peace must not be passive. It must be constant and consistent. There must be a determined prayer front as energetic as was our battlefield during the war. Spiritual opportunities are abundant. Let us seize as many of them as we can. Prayers and sacrifices for peace are not rationed. We all worked for victory; now let us pray for peace!

Fibber and Molly

On April 15 St. Joseph's will welcome two distinguished persons to the campus. Jim and Marian Jordan, known to radio fans over the country as Fibber McGee and Molly, will be honored on that day when the honorary doctor of laws degree will be conferred upon them. The Jordans are being honored because of their "outstanding good taste and all-round family acceptability" which they have exhibited in 30 years in the entertainment world.

St. Joseph's could not have chosen a more deserving couple upon whom to bestow

an honorary degree. The McGees have long been among the top comedians in radio, and during these years have not bowed to the popular trend which brings into prominence the shady and smutty type of comedy. The popularity of the Wistful Vista duo has not faltered either because of their failure to conform. On the contrary the largest listening audience in radio has displayed its approval of the Johnson Wax Tuesday evening program.

Jim and Marian, who are devout Catholics and have been married for 30 years, are to be commended for their efforts in keeping radio comedy on a high plane. Authorities of St. Joseph's are likewise to be commended for bringing the famous pair to Collegeville. It would be a fine idea to continue an annual award to the outstanding Catholic entertainer. Any showman who upholds Christian principles and ideals in the face of strong pagan influence should be rewarded. St. Joseph's is extremely proud to welcome the Jordans to its campus.

Gag Busters...

That ethereal look that George Byerwalter is sporting can be traced to a Patricia Stevens model whom George escorted to the Icecapades, Monday. She has him sliding, and, along with the G.I. increase, thinking about settling down.

'Tis rumored that Ed Reidy is very fond of the Irish, especially those of the McGinty clan. When last seen at the McGinty place, Ed was doing the turkey-trot, and singing "Who Threw the Overalls in Mrs. Murphy's Chowder?"

The acme of education was reached, last week, when the following discourse occurred in one of the classes:

Prof.—If a burglar were in the basement, would the coal shoot?

Bright Student—No, but the kindling wood.

Jim Kennedy was quite secure and content recently when his girl-friend told him she knew someone that liked him. Confidently asking who, and expecting an "I do," Jim was left a bit perplexed when she answered: "7 Up; it says so on the bottle."

Tom Tysall sauntered up to a young thing at a dance over the holidays and asked: "May I have the next dance, please?" "Sure," came the reply, "take it home with you."

Bob Morrow is about to embark on another agony-wracked year with those Chicago Cubs; Joe Moore says the Cards will make it, this year; Harvey Schneider says Seerey will clout the Indians to the pennant; and the White Sox fans are avidly buying up season tickets—for the bloomer girls' game.

Don Ronan, broke an all-time campus record, last Monday, when he received a "Dear John" by telegram. Don is the only member of the D. J. Club ever to go down via this method.

Bob Burns, Mr. 3.01 of the campus, was dealt a crushing C in History, according to the grades just released by the registrar. The anxiety of that Easter vacation must have been a little too much for Bob.

Ron Miniati's name has appeared in this column so many times this year, that we have been advised to refrain from using it hereafter. From here on in, we shall refer to him as "Brutus."

The Fort Wayne Zollner Pistons softball team will be without the services of, their star, Bob Ryan, for the next few weeks. Bob is currently on a nationwide tour in search of a prom date. It seems the Fort Wayne lovelies don't possess the qualifications Bob is looking for.

Tom Delaney has spent so much time in Tier 3, Gaspar Hall's most occupied sack, that the bed is now tilted at a 45-degree angle. His roommates, Tom Carmody and Ed Galvin, have contacted a construction gang which is ready for action, should Tom decide to catch up on any more sleep in the next few days.

Larry "Killer" Weinbrod has been rather evasive when questioned about a young lady from Stephens College. His evasiveness was somewhat shattered, the other day, when Jim Dolan seemed to have all the answers to those questions.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Unless veterans attending colleges and universities under the G.I. Bill notify Veterans Administration within 30 days before the end of the term or semester that they do not want leave, VA automatically will place them on 15 days' leave.

VA explained that veterans in these schools are placed on subsistence rolls from the date of enrollment until 15 days after the close of the term or semester. This automatic 15-day leave policy makes it possible for veterans studying under the accelerated program to receive unbroken subsistence payments between terms or semesters.

A veteran placed on 15 days' leave will receive subsistence allowance for that period. His period of training at government expense will be reduced by 15 days.

Veterans who do not want their entitlement so reduced should

notify VA to that effect. VA forms to be used by veterans to signify that they do not want the leave are available at all schools.

Those veterans who had an opportunity to express their choice on enrollment need not submit this form unless they want to change their previous selection.

For complete information regarding veterans' benefits, get in touch with the Veterans Administration Office, 545 Northwestern Avenue, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana.

The Veterans Administration Training Officer staff has been greatly reduced. Henceforth, Mr. A. D. Clausen will be available for conferences on the campus only on the first and third Thursday of each month. These dates are: April 15, May 6, May 20, and June 3.

What Do You Think?

Here Are Views of a Few

Since March 1, 16 major league baseball teams have been diligently preparing for the season which gets under way April 17. The season promises to be quite interesting with close races anticipated in both circuits. The American League title chase shapes up to be a battle to the end between the New York Yankees and the Boston Red Sox, while the National League race seems to center around the Brooklyn Dodgers, Boston Braves, and St. Louis Cardinals. Both battles will undoubtedly be "corkers," so STUFF wants to find out, this week, how the residents of Collegeville feel about the pennant tussle in the senior loop. In two weeks the situation in the American League will be looked over. This question was asked of a few St. Joe students, "Which team do you think will win the National League pennant?"

Harvey Schneider, Mansfield, O., sophomore, thinks the Boston Braves will cop the flag in the league headed by Ford Frick. Harvey says, "The Braves are loaded in all departments. Their two twenty-game winners of last year, Sain and Spahn, will be back to cooperate with Johnny Beazley and Bill Voiselle who seem to be on the comeback road. The hitting is well set, with such stars as Bob Elliot, Earl Torgerson, Eddie Stanky, Tommy Holmes, Danny Litwhiler, and Jeff Heath taking care of the offensive department. To add to all this the Braves have the best manager in baseball in Billy Southworth."

Sophomore Bob Morrow of Delphi, Ind., states, "Right now on paper the Cards and Boston look the toughest of the eight. The Cards have the better pitching, but the Braves have it over the Red Birds in all other departments. I'll string along with St. Louis because of Musial and Slaughter and because of the Cards' power in the stretch."

Sports Editor, Bud Clark, who hails from East St. Louis, Ill., casts his vote for Billy Southworth's Braves. "The Cards," Clark declares, "will give the

Bostonians a battle if Marion's knee holds out and if Pollet, Brecheen, and Brazle can come through. Boston's Southworth has the managerial edge over the Card's Dyer," concluded the Illinois sophomore.

"The Boston Braves possess a well-balanced ball club with the best manager in baseball," began junior Ken Dewitt of Evansville, Ind. "Holler-guy Eddie Stanky and Alvin Dark will make Boston much stronger down the middle than they were last year." In summing up Dewitt said, "Breaks will be a major factor in deciding the race, with the Cards and Dodgers pressing the Braves very closely."

Sticking with the St. Louis Cardinals is senior Joe Grace of Frankfort, Ind. Grace is under the impression that the Card's all-round balance will be the determining factor. Joe rates the Giants strong in every department except pitching, counts the Braves out because of the catching weakness, and doesn't think the Dodgers capable of repeating. In the first division, Grace places the Cards, Braves, Dodgers, and the Giants in that order.

Looking for a repeat performance on the part of Brooklyn's Bums is "Rags" Berger, Jasper, Ind., sophomore. "With practically the same team back, plus Leo Durocher, the Dodgers should be the champs again. The pitching looks good, the hitting is potentially good, but above all the Bums have the old hustle." Berger opines that Jackie Robinson will be greater than ever and warns Dodger foes to look out for a former Puma, Gil Hodges.

Keller Riede forecasts an extremely close first division with the Cardinals on top. The Louisville sophomore, who plays a little baseball himself with the St. Joe diamond nine, likes the St. Louis aggregation because of their potentially great mound staff and because of St. Louis' punch. In finishing Riede asserted, "the Braves with but two proved hurlers, the Dodgers, and the Giants will round out the first division."

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Pumas Face Ball State in Opener

'A' Squad Wins Exhibitionists As Kuhn Hits Display Wares

St. Joseph's "A" baseball team hung up two victories over the "B" squad last Saturday and Sunday afternoons by scores of 5-2, and 10-6. Both outfits looked to be in fine shape, considering the small amount of time they have worked out.

Clarence Kuhn, fancy first sacker, was most impressive in Saturday's game as he hammered out two doubles and a single in four trips to the plate. George Bauer and "Rags" Berger allowed only two safeties to the "B" squad. Joe Broderick singled in the second and scored the "B's" lone run on an error. Bill Hoban got the other safety. Don Tesmond and Dick Kelly hurled for the losers.

Sunday's affair saw the "A" team banging out nine hits for 10 runs against the offerings of Maurie Hamilton and John Grande. Cletus Brosmer and Lou Vasquez gave up seven hits and six runs to the losers. "Red" Delahanty and Tom Quinn garnered two safeties each in the loosely played game.

Keller Reide suffered the first serious mishap in the early training. Keller was unable to play in Sunday's game because of a severely bruised thumb. Jim Dolan filled in for Reide at short.

Hank Knight showed that he should be ready come opening day. Hank did a short stint against the "B's" and allowed but one safety in four innings.

Indugurate Season In Triangular Meet

The St. Joseph's College Cindermen, coached by Art Cosgrove and Jim Puett, will open their 1948 track campaign, April 17, at Muncie, Ind., when they will meet Ball State and Valparaiso U. in a triangular meet.

Highlight of the track schedule will be the Midlands Conference First Invitational Meet, to be held at Loras College in Dubuque, Iowa, May 22. Six meets in all constitute the schedule.

April 17—Ball State Triangular at Muncie.

April 24—Rose Poly Invitational Relays at Terre Haute.

April 28—University of Valparaiso, Here.

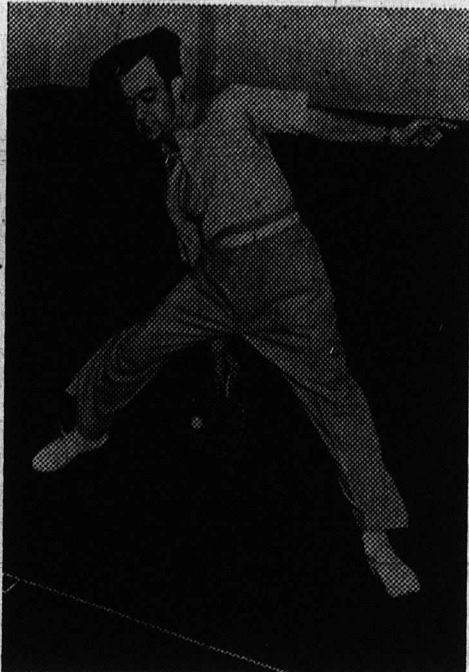
May 5—University of Valparaiso, There.

May 22—Midlands Conference Invitational at Dubuque, Iowa.

*May 15—Little State Meet.

*Tentative.

Fine Finesse! Lou Pagliaro, table tennis singles star, leaps high for a fancy return of a smash. Pagliaro and his feminine partner, Henrietta Wright, will give an exhibition here April 19.



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Diminutives Give Pumas Lift; Melyon, Moore Furnish Speed

ALEX MELYN was too small to make the George Washington high school baseball team of East Chicago, Ind., until his senior year, but you'll see Alex "eating them up" at second base in a St. Joe uniform this year. Alex, who now stands five-feet seven-inches and weighs 145 pounds when soaking wet, cavorted around the keystone corner last year, and proved a valuable asset to his team on the defensive side.

The 1947 season was the first time Alex had played any organized ball since his graduation from high school in 1938. He served 28 months overseas in Hawaii and the Marshall Islands as a member of Uncle Sam's Navy, but didn't find much time for playing baseball.

But Melyon found himself with St. Joe after serving a four-year hitch in the service. He continued in organized baseball last summer in East Chicago, where he played for three different independent teams and carried a batting average of .315 in 75 games. "And two of the squads I played for won titles," he added.

Said Alex about the team's chances, "If the pitching comes through, we should have just as good a season, if not better, than we had last year. George Bauer should strengthen our pitching, and our new boys are also good. I know I'll have to bear down all the time to keep my position."

WALTER MOORE, a Sophomore from South Bend, Ind., stands close to five-feet eight-inches, and will be 165 pounds of lightning for the St. Joe outfield, if his ankles stand the pace. Wally played ball here last year, but was hampered by a pair of weak ankles that must be taped for all games and practices.

Although not very big, Moore can give a baseball a long ride when he connects. Defensively, he covers centerfield somewhat like Terry Moore (no relation) of the St. Louis Cardinals. In fact, Wally had the privilege of playing opposite Terry while doing a service stretch in Panama.

Wally played baseball for Central Catholic of South Bend in his sophomore year and hit .381, but baseball was discontinued at the high school for the rest of Moore's prep days. He spent three years in the service where he played baseball in Panama and Alaska. On his retirement from Army life, Wally played for the LaPorte Moose club in 1946, and hit .395 for the LaPorte Sportsmen in the summer of '47.

The speedy gardener thinks that this year's team should have a good season. "The pitching staff should be stronger than last year," says Moore. "Port-sider Don Tesmond should prove valuable to a more experienced squad."

Strong Reserves Bolster Squad in All Departments

It looks as if St. Joe's baseball squad will have to wait until April 17, to open its 1948 schedule against Ball State College at Muncie, Ind. The Pumas had previously scheduled Indiana U. for its opener at Bloomington, but the contest was cancelled.

Drexel Champs Pilfer Plaque; Buckley Stars

The final basketball game at Pumaville came to a screeching halt Tuesday evening, March 23, when Drexel Hall's lanky inter-hall five downed a scrappy but small East Seifert aggregation 49-46, in the championship game of the tourney.

As a result of their victory, the Drexel gladiators will receive the coveted plaque, given annually to the champ, and tote it across the road to the "Indian school."

Drexel quickly moved out in front in the early stages of the game and never was seriously threatened until the last two minutes of the final stanza.

Quick buckets by Bill Freeman, Tom Brell, and a fielder and charity toss by Alex Melyon, brought the score to read 46-45. However, it was Sergi Boudreau who iced the game with a lay-up just as the gun sounded, ending the contest.

Jim Buckley's five fielders and one charity toss topped the Drexel scorers, while Melyon's four buckets and four free throws was high for the losers.

Drexel had earned the right to play in the final by knocking the Ad team, 57-42, and beating North hall, 53-43. East Seifert whipped Science, 53-35, and Xavier, 49-33. In other tourney games, Noll bumped W. Seifert, 74-41, and Xavier eked out a slim 46-40 victory over a fighting Gaspar outfit.

High-point man of the tournament was Drexel's Dave Terveer, who garnered 40 points in three games for a 13.3 average. Pat Gavin, husky Noll forward, set a tournament record for individual scoring when he bagged 24 points against the W. Seifert netsters.

Drexel			E. Seifert		
G	F	T	G	F	T
Buckley	5	11	Freeman	4	3
Barton	2	1	Delahanty	3	0
Terveer	3	0	Melyon	4	12
Chmel'k	3	0	Brell	3	0
Serew'z	3	0	Briede	4	1
Leahy	1	1	Murphy	1	0
Bohney	1	0			
Doyle	1	0			
Boud'r'u	4	0			
Totals	23	3	Totals	19	8

A Friendly Place Where Friends Meet
SILVER GRILL

Dick Scharf, Cardinal and Purple pilot, cut his squad down to working size during the past two weeks. About 30 players remain of a large squad of 70 candidates.

The Pumas are insured at every position with good men backing up each first-stringer. A better mound corp might be in the making with such veterans as Hank Knight, "Rags" Berger, and George Bauer, returning for duty.

Don Tesmond may be just the thing the doctor ordered for the pitching department. Tesmond, a sophomore from Chicago, Ill., is the only left-hander out of a total of six pitchers. Although one port-sider on the staff doesn't constitute balance, nevertheless, Don should help considerably when St. Joe runs up against an outfit packed with left-hand hitters.

The catching department stacks up strong with "Red" Delahanty, Bud Greif, and "Smoky" Malone handling the duties. Delahanty, who hails from Rockford, Ill., has shown that he is a formidable stickler as well as an able receiver.

With Clarence Kuhn on first, Alex Melyon at second, "Cy" Bohney on the hot corner, and Keller Riede at shortstop, the infield looks to be a good defensive combination. At least early workouts have indicated so.

Tony Serewicz, Joe Broderick, Bob Nolan, Bill Hoban, Angel Barrientos, and Jim Dolan, have also been plugging for infield berths. These men have looked good in early outings, and it may be that Coach Scharf will have a tough time keeping some of them out of the lineup.

When queried on the outlook of his outer-garden patrol, Scharf said, "Maurie Angermier and Wally Moore have been meeting the ball well. We haven't taken too much batting practice, but we will improve offensively before opening day rolls around."

Jerry Leahy, Jack Kennedy, Don Quinn, Dick Chmleck, and Don Wardynski, are fighting for regular outfield duty also, and all look to stand good chances of being in the opening day game.

Bohney, slugging third sacker, is one of the best hitters on the club, and should bolster the hitting attack. Bohney batted a lousy .600 in 10 games last year, and followed up during the summer with a .400 average while playing independent ball for Schererville's merchants of Schererville, Ind.

Optimism is running high in the training camp. It is the opinion of the majority that St. Joe will finish with a better record than was compiled last year, when the Pumas won seven of 10 contests. Of course, the team will also play more games this year. 14 battles have been scheduled and there is a possibility of another game being added to the agenda.

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Hornswoggling--- A Neglected Art

During the past two weeks it has been brought to our attention that within the corporation limits of this fair city, Collegeville, there exists a definite and most dangerous lack of appreciation for one of the more important cultural graces—a most neglected art, the art of hornswoggling. In fact, the situation has grown so serious that certain minority groups—the uncultured few—possess the audacity to deny its claim to the ranks of the fine arts.

Hornswoggling consists of the perfected skill of placing one's self gracefully in some part of the chow line forward of the after parts. On careful examination, one can readily see the strict requirements for achieving the august title of hornswoggling. In order to master this manly art, one must have a good background, he must be well bred, and he must have an intelligence quotient of at least twenty-five. Furthermore, he must have trained his conscience so thoroughly as no longer to be hampered by the weakness accompanying a so-called (and much overrated) sense of fair play.

In such a difficult and highly technical art one would expect, and rightly so, that there should exist degrees of perfection or skill. In music we find the amateur, the professional, and the master. In hornswoggling we find the postulant, the novice, and the master. In the case of the postulant it can hardly be considered an art, for, while he has a good foundation and the necessary requirements, his performance is somewhat crude and unpolished, as well as lacking a definite style, or personal touch. He descends the stairs and enters the arena with majestic strides, but, instead of surveying the situation and carefully stalking his prey, the postulant hornswoggler rushes boldly to the attack by elbowing his way into the fore part of the line.

However, after many years of experience, the novice is somewhat more subtle in his approach. Calmly, and with an air of assumed meekness, he places himself at the rear of the line—always when said line runs full length of the arena and is doubled back so that some are coming and some are going. There he bides his time until the opportune moment arrives, and then, quick as a flash, he sidles from the ranks of the going into the ranks of the coming.

To view the novice in operation is, to say the least, thrilling and awe-inspiring. But the master—oh, the master! Such exquisite grace of movement! Such marvelous technique! With an ingratiating smile on his face and an anticipatory twinkle in his eye, he takes his stand at the rear of the line when it is doubled back, but never does he remain there so long as his inferiors. Almost before he has come to a standstill he spots, in the ranks of the coming, a very dear friend, whom he proceeds to make a very near friend. There follows a warm handshake (sometimes even a fond embrace) earnest and animated conversation, and before the awed onlookers have realized what has taken place, the master comes forth with a tray literally stacked with dainty dishes—always two desserts. But how disheartening it must be to the master to note that at times the masses are so low, so depraved, as to raise a vulgar hue and cry when he has just completed a breathtaking exhibition of skill.

From the above follows the fact that the true hornswoggler receives absolutely no credit for his untiring efforts. Like a prophet, a hornswoggler is not appreciated in his own country. It has often been suggested that the faculty, by way of fostering this fine art, ought to add another department to the present curriculum and

Fire Engine To Eliminate All Hot Spots

Collegeville now has its own fire department. On March 17, a fire truck was purchased from the Indianapolis Fire Department through two friends of the college, Lt. Harry Kinsey and Lt. John O'Leary, both of Indianapolis.

The Indianapolis department was trading the engine for new equipment and Lts. Kinsey and O'Leary, realizing that the fire fighting equipment at St. Joseph's was inadequate, contacted the college authorities. The engine was brought to the campus and the purchase completed on March 17.

The Rev. Robert Stukenborg, assistant treasurer of St. Joseph's, reports that the engine is in good condition, but that additional equipment for the truck must yet be purchased. The fire truck is temporarily being housed in the warehouse on the east campus.

Fr. Roof Gives Dinner Talk

Father Roof, St. Joe Athletic Director, appeared in Goodland, Indiana as the main speaker for the testimonial dinner given in honor of the Goodland high school basketball team, March 23. Goodland was one of the teams that participated in the Sectional Tourney held in the Collegeville fieldhouse, Feb. 26 to 28.

offer a Bachelor of Arts in Hornswoggling, or a BAH degree. In our opinion this is the most logical solution to the problem, as it would not only help the art of hornswoggling to come into its own, but would also lead to the subduing of the uncouth minority who persist in raising biased protests against the cultured majority.

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Films Give Laugh, Fun

Two hours of laughs and entertainment were furnished to all on the campus, March 30, as Bud Abbott and Lou Costello highlighted an evening of motion pictures shown in the auditorium. The comedy couple were featured in one of their old favorites, "Who Done It."

Also shown on the program were films of Sinbad the Sailor and his sea-crazy experiences. Shorts on Football Highlights, the life of Stephen Foster and his musical productions, and Life in Harlem, completed the show.

The pictures were shown by Norbert Adelman of Monroe, Ohio, who had wide experience in showing films while serving in the Navy.

Valparaiso Looms As Tennis Opener; Six Meets Carded

Father Edward Roof, head tennis coach at St. Joseph's, announced that St. Joe would play six meets this spring. There is a possibility of another meet being carded. Valparaiso's catgut squad helps the Pumas open the season here on April 28.

April 28—Valparaiso ----- Here
April 30—Indiana State ----- Here
May 5—Valparaiso ----- There
May 14-15—Little State Meet at Earlham College
May 21—Louisville U. ----- There
May 22—Indiana State ----- There

Registrar Announces Semi-semester Indices

Top three by classes for the March 24, 1948 grading period:

Freshmen	
Ryan, William J.	2.67
Brown, Lowell E.	2.60
Kauffman, Walter L.	2.41
Sophomores	
Danko, Benedict R.	2.83
Koval, Edward J.	2.80
Tomko, Edward A.	2.75
Juniors	
Burns, Robert T.	2.85
Burwell, Clarence J.	2.67
Jackson, William E.	2.60
Seniors	
Forsthoefel, Mark H.	2.56
Reas, Herman W.	2.25
Pelletier, Marcel A.	2.18

—More About— CONVERSION

visits were repeated on the 13th of each month until Oct. 13, 1917, when before a crowd estimated at 100,000 the miracle of the sun took place as proof that the visions were from heaven. Colored pictures taken at Fatima's shrine and the surrounding countryside added much to Mr. Haffert's lecture.

Eighty principal cities in the United States have heard Mr. Haffert in the present lecture series. A Sacramento, Calif., daily said: "It isn't just a lecture. It's something that comes to a city once in a lifetime."

Mr. Haffert asked that the residents of Collegeville join with millions throughout the world in fulfilling the requests made by Our Lady at Fatima: Abandon sin, pray and sacrifice. If this be done, she promised that Russia would be converted and peace would reign throughout the world.

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Golfers Face Indiana State In First Meet

The 1948 edition of the St. Joe College golf squad, under the able tutelage of Father Marcellus Dreiling, face five meets this Spring, according to the schedule just released by Father Roof, Director of Athletics. The complete schedule is as follows:

April 30—Indiana State -- There
May 5—Valparaiso ----- There
May 14—Valparaiso ----- Here
May 22—Midlands Conference
Meet at Dubuque, Iowa
May 28—Indiana State -- There

NFCCS Officers Meet at Nazareth

Officers of the Fort Wayne Region of the National Federation of Catholic College Students met at Nazareth College, Nazareth, Mich., on April 3 and 4 to hear regional commission reports and the results of the student relief campaign. Plans for the Negro Scholarship as presented by Aquinas College, Grand Rapids, Mich., were discussed and regional nominees for national offices were selected. The national offices will be filled at the National Congress to be held next month in Philadelphia.

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Five Localites To Philadelphia

A five-man team will represent the students of St. Joseph's at the Fifth National Congress of the National Federation of Catholic College students in Philadelphia, April 22-25. 2000 delegates, observers, members of college faculties, are expected to attend and participate in the panel discussions centered around the theme, "Student Responsibility to the Community."

Victor Toepe and Kenneth Harber, senior and junior delegate respectively, are preparing for panel discussions and resolutions in Catholic Action, Mariology, Student Government.

John Lynch, Chairman of the National Press Commission, will meet a day previous to the Congress with other members of the Executive Board of the NFCCS to determine agenda of steering committees, ways and means, elections and resolutions committees.

Together with Miss Patricia Burns, Editor of the Federation Forum and Tom Carmody of St. Joseph's, he will pilot the Press Commission Panels of the Congress in discussing the plans for the future of the Radio Acceptance Poll, the National Organization for Decent Literature, and the Forum itself.

Joe McGrath will be the fifth man of the team and will travel as an official observer at the Congress.

St. Joe men have worked hard and devotedly for the cause of Catholic Student Community and deserve the highest commendation for their work.

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